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In re patent application of:

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For: Improvements Relating to Fibre
Yarn and Rope ProductionPRELIMINARY AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner for Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This preliminary amendment is being filed in the above-referenced U.S. patent application before substantive review of the application. It is requested that the amendments made herewith be entered into the application prior to substantive review by an Examiner.

Should it be deemed that additional fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee, or credit any refund, associated with this response to Deposit Account No. 50-1089.

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 5, 6, 11, as 12 as follows:

5. An unspun yarn according to claim 1, wherein the fibres of the fibre assembly are wool rovings or slubbings.